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SUBJECT: TRAVEL OF MR. THOMAS SEOH

1. MR. THOMAS SEOH OF SEATTLE IS ONE OF TEN U.S. HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS NAMED AS PRESIDENTIAL SCIENCE SCHOLARS FOR 1974. THEY WILL VISIT INDIA AFTER AUSTRALIA. SEOH DOES NOT YET HAVE INDIA VISA. HIS APPLICATION WAS SENT BY INDIAN EMBASSY WASHINGTON TO HOME MINISTRY 16TH JULY. AOTHOOUGH INDIAN EMBASSY STATED INTENTION ON OR ABOUT 18TH TO USE DISCRETIONARY VISA GRANTING POWER IF NO WORD FROM HOME MINISTRY BY 1 AUGUST, IS NOW RELUCTANT TO DO THIS IN VIEW MESSAGE ON OR ABOUT 30TH THAT HOME MINISTRY HAS NOT RECEIVED PAPERS.

2. NSF RESPONSIBLE FOR TRAVEL ARRANGEMENTS, MUST HAVE VISA CLEARANCE BY 8TH AUGUST TO MEET TIMETABLE.

3. EMBASSY REQUESTED TO CONTACT HOME MINISTRY EXPEDITE THEIR CLEARANCE TO-INDIAN EMBASSY WASHINGTON. DELAY - COULD EMBARRASS PROGRAM. KISSINGER

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